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## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Further consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

In response to the Examiner's finding that the applicant has claimed four different patentably distinct species of invention (i.e., no one of which is made "obvious" in view of any other or combination of others of such species under 35 U.S.C. §103), applicant hereby elects for further substantive examination in the present application the patentably distinct species I comprising claims 1-19 and 40-44.

Non-elected claims have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Amendments to claim 1 have been effected to address issues raised by the International Examiner during the International Phase. Other changes have been made so as to conform the claims to more traditional U.S. practice.

An early allowance of all elected claims 1-19 and 40-44 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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